

THE ACCIDENT TO LORD KITCHENER.

The King's Sympathy.

The following telegrams to the *Mail*, dated the 10th, give fuller details of the accident to Lord Kitchener—about which special cables were sent from Calcutta.

Simla was greatly excited this morning at the news that Lord Kitchener had sustained an accident last night, breaking his leg. It appears that the Commander-in-Chief rode out alone to 'Wild Flower Hall', his residence at Mahasu, about six miles from Simla. Returning in the evening he was passing through the small tunnel near Sanjauli Bazaar, when his horse became restive and he collided against the side of the tunnel, breaking his leg clean above the ankle, both bones being broken. He lay for some little time in the tunnel, helpless, until some coolies luckily came along with an empty rickshaw in which he was brought back to Simla. Here he was at once attended at 'Snowdon' by Colonel Tate and Major Clark and Greeno, the Civil Surgeons, who set his leg. He had a good night and is cheerful and doing well, but his tour arrangements are, naturally, all cancelled, and he is unlikely to be able to leave Simla for a month or so. His horse is a particularly quiet animal which he brought from South Africa and has constantly ridden on the hills. The tunnel is by no means a pleasant one to ride through, and there have often been complaints as to its insufficient lighting.

Later.—Further details of the accident to Lord Kitchener show that the Chief had ridden his horse down the hill through the tunnel. On this occasion the horse shied at a coolie crouching against the side. Lord Kitchener caught his leg against a beam, twisting and breaking it. The coolie appears to have bolted in fright, as did some others who, on approaching the tunnel, heard that the man hurt within was the great Lord of War. Lord Kitchener was for over half an hour suffering in the tunnel, but a second lot of coolies went out from Sanjauli Bazaar with a rickshaw and brought the Chief in.

Colonel Hamilton and Major Maxwell, of the Chief's Staff, who had gone on to Saharanpur, will return to Simla to-morrow. The rest of the Staff who were to have accompanied Lord Kitchener on tour to-day are here, and all servants, baggage, &c., have been recalled.

Later.—Lord Kitchener passed a fairly good day, but is suffering a lot of pain as the leg was much bruised and the wrench was a severe one. The next few days will be trying ones. He is wonderfully cheerful under the circumstances, and, it is hoped, will be able to travel to Calcutta about Christmas. The bones were broken clean without any complications or fractures, and the doctors are hopeful that the recovery will be a good one.

Poona, November 17.—In consequence of the accident to Lord Kitchener on Saturday last, the visit to Poona and his engagements here have all been cancelled. Colonel Wickham, the Director-General of Transport, and the other principal officers who had arrived to meet him here, will depart. Great disappointment is felt in Poona, as it was confidently believed that Lord Kitchener would have distributed the prizes at the Rifle Meeting, which opens to-morrow.

Calcutta, November 18.—Lord Kitchener's accident has aroused widespread sympathy, and telegrams are pouring in. The Commander-in-Chief has issued the following notice:—'Owing to the great number of telegrams received since the accident, Lord Kitchener finds it impossible to answer all personally. Consequently he wishes to express through the Press his sincere thanks for the many kind messages sent him.'

Among the numerous personages who have telegraphed sympathy are His Majesty the King, Earl Roberts, and Mr. Brodrick.

'Keep your temper, laddie,' said an old Scotsman to a rather fiery tempered son. 'Never quarrel with an angry person, especially a woman.' Mind ye, a soft answer payeth best. It's commendable—and far better takes them far madder than anything else you could say.'

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Acherity	despatch-vessel	1700	—	3000	Comdr. O. de B. Brock	Yokohama
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,500	16	13,500	Captain T. H. M. Jordan	Whampoa
Albatross	ship	1050	6	1400	Comdr. R. Nugent	Singapore
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	13,000	Capt. Charles Windham C.V.O.	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	9000	12	13,000	Captain F. G. Stopford	Hongkong
Albatross	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Com. F. M. Leske	Hongkong
Albatross	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Kobe
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Nagasaki
Albatross	water tank and tug	390	—	900	—	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	5000	11	9500	Captain Robert H. S. Stokes	Shanghai
Albatross	ship	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Whampoa
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	360	8	5700	—	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 3rd class	1580	12	2200	Comdr. P. V. Lawes, D.S.O.	Singapore
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain W. A. Carter	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Com. H. L. Wall	Whampoa
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	—	Whampoa
Albatross	storeship	1840	—	800	Comdr. J. D. Dalrymple	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3800	Lieut.-Comdr. C. Asser	Whampoa
Albatross	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Powell	Yangtze-Kiang
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	—	31,500	Hon. N. G. Stopford	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. G. Webster	Macao
Albatross	ship	980	10	1400	Comdr. O. W. M. Plenderleath	Whampoa
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain R. F. Foote, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lt.-Com. O. G. Collingwood	Whampoa
Albatross	ship	1015	6	1400	Comdr. W. H. Nicholson	Hongkong
Albatross	surveying-vessel	835	6	650	Captain Morris H. Smyth	Amoy
Albatross	ship	980	10	1400	Com. D. St. A. Wake	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. John P. Irven	Canton
Albatross	ship	980	6	1500	Comdr. T. Jackson	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. Murray Lockhart	West River
Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Lt.-Com. H. H. Moore	Whampoa
Albatross	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtze
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	—	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	290	6	6000	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	11,000	11	9000	Captain Lewis Bayly	Hongkong
Albatross	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Comdr. Robinson	Yangtze
Albatross	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. E. V. Dugmore	Yangtze
Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	3400	8	9000	Capt. A. C. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Albatross	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	Lieut. Forbes	Hankow
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	16	13,500	Capt. Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Whampoa
Albatross	ship	380	10	1400	Comdr. S. St. John Paraghar	Yangtze
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. A. B. Barker	Hongkong
Albatross	surveying ship	620	—	450	Lt.-Comdr. Ernest O. Hardy	Whampoa
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	In Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Somerville	Hankow
Albatross	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Wason	Yangtze

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported
Aspen	Austrian cruiser	962	—	—	Capt. F. J. J. J.	Saigon
Acheron	French gunboat	1790	—	—	Captain Lefevre	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Canton
Argus	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Crespin	Saigon
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journe	Haiphong
Arvalanche	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Heron	Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	3710	20	9000	Capt. Lafore	Shanghai
Bugard	French cruiser	8018	18	—	Captain V. Poldron	Saigon
Chateaufort	French cruiser	625	—	—	Commander Louel	Haiphong
Cometo	French gunboat	625	—	—	Commander Gathell	Saigon
Deside	French gunboat	625	—	—	Capt. La Gellou	Hankow
Kensington	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. Bécue	Saigon
Lion	French gunboat	370	—	—	Captain Arce	Hongkong
Montcalm	French cruiser	9700	12	10,000	Capt. Hurst	Yangtze
Olry	French gunboat	4013	27	8300	Captain Souds	Nagasaki
Pascal	French cruiser	9437	8	8071	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Redoubtable	French cruiser	1796	10	—	Captain Thomas	Saigon
Sphinx	French gunboat	625	2	900	Lieut. Gailard	Yangtze
Surprise	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Gailard	Shanghai
Taklong	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Gailard	Shanghai
Takou	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Gailard	Shanghai
Vaulan	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Gailard	Shanghai
Vigilant	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Gailard	Shanghai
Viper	French gunboat	400	4	441	Comdr. Villeneuve	Canton
Bussard	German cruiser	1637	16	2900	Comdr. Huss	Kobe
First Bismarck	German flag-ship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Shanghai
Geier	German cruiser	1775	15	—	Comdr. Wuthmann	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	8000	34	10,000	Capt. van Semmern	Yokohama
Horla	German gunboat	6000	37	10,000	Capt. Ingenohl	Nagasaki
Ilse	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Commander Platen	Hongkong
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Kobe
Lucas	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Krencke	Amoy
Möwe	German gunboat	1640	15	2800	Comdr. Pasper	Hongkong
Seeadler	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Hoffmann	Nanking
Tiger	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Schrader	Foochow
Vorwärts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Comdr. von Welse	Shanghai
Thetis	German cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Dick	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	2442	19	4120	Capt. Castiglia Francesco	Singapore
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2427	34	12,000	Captain Armona	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4500	24	6820	Captain Zezi	Shanghai
Din	Portuguese gunboat	750	—	—	Captain Diogo de Sa	Macao
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barbeza Leal	Macao
Albatross	Russian gunboat	810	6	750	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Albatross	Russian cruiser	2260	6	4700	Comdr. Gramschuk	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian cruiser	6000	27	—	Capt. Reinsonschicht	Kobe
Albatross	Russian gunboat	3300	6	—	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	3640	12	—	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian cruiser	6731	9	—	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian gunboat	900	9	3500	Comdr. Yonovitch	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian battleship	12,384	44	14,500	Captain Jensen	Nagasaki
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shumoff	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Comdr. Novakowsky	Nanking
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Comdr. Muraviev	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1430	6	2000	Comdr. Vasiliev	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian cruiser	6731	12	—	Captain Koroloff	Nagasaki
Albatross	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Captain Jakovlev	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian battleship	10,380	16	10,000	Capt. Zatsarsky	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Capt. Zatsarsky	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,000	Capt. Zatsarsky	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian battleship	10,384	10	1788	Comdr. Liron	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian battleship	12,902	16	16,000	Captain Spellenapoff	Vladivostok
Albatross	Russian protected cruiser	12,300	63	17,000	Capt. Matsuevich	Masampo
Albatross	Russian protected cruiser	10,923	20	13,200	Capt. Serbenchukoff	Nagasaki
Albatross	Russian gunboat	960	16	1125	Comdr. Iyazoff	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1050	3	1120	Comdr. Guinter	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian gunboat	6500	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Comdr. Zagoransky-Klose	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1230	15	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	3500	—	—	Capt. J. H. Rodgers	Nagasaki
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	236	—	—	Lieut. E. A. Anderson	Hongkong
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	3013	—	—	Capt. H. E. Mason	Chefoo
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	1150	—	1600	Captain Denfield	Manila
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	540	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. flag-ship	11,500	41	10,000	Comdr. Stanton	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. monitor	3290	6	3000	Captain R. M. Barry	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	1470	6	850	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. monitor	3233	4	6254	Comdr. Denfield	Tsuk
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	4197	20	—	Comdr. W. H. Beecher	Hongkong
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	10,204	45	—	Comdr. Blockings	Nagasaki
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	3213	—	—	Captain Burwell	Kobe
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	1480	13	1118	Captain Naro	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	400	—	—	Commander Marshall	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	1307	8	1894	Lieut. L. O. Boroletto	Shanghai
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2.30 p.m.—Auction of a Quantity of Household Furniture at Mr. Geo. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—A. D. C. Performance at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

9.30 a.m.—Military Practice. Goods per *Sauki Mary* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, December 12.—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of a Quantity of Fancy Suitings, etc., at Mr. Geo. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

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MONDAY, December 14.—

Goods per *Glenagarry* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, December 16.—

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

French and German Navies.

The French Naval Budget for 1904 requires the sum of 312½ million francs. The report on the Budget, comparing the strength of France and Great Britain, says that whereas the proportion of naval forces in 1898 was France two and Great Britain three, the proportion now is France two and Great Britain four. He believes that Great Britain in 1907 will possess double the number of fast cruisers. The German estimates for 1904 show an increase of six and a half million marks permanent expenditure on the Navy.

Band at King Edward Hotel.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and Officers, the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the above Hotel, during dinner, on Friday, the 11th December:—March, 'Field Service'; 'Ord Home Overture'; 'Tattered'; 'Ruesini Selection'; 'The Rose of Persia'.

Cornet Solo 'My Dreams'.

Selections from 'The Rose of Persia'.

Violoncello Solo 'My Dreams'.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

Mr. Bennett Burleigh, the war correspondent, has gone on to Port Arthur.

General Egerton will take over the Madras command when he leaves Somaliland.

Professor Silvanus P. Thompson says: 'The trail of the financier has been the bane of wireless telegraphy.'

Harmston's Circus (which seldom comes to Hongkong now-a-days) has been doing good business in Rangoon.

The ships *Arramora*, *County of Pembroke*, *San Antonio*, *Two Brothers*, and *Weyfarer* have been wrecked in Algoa Bay.

The steamer *Petchabini* reports passing a capsized junk 10 miles E. N. E. of Waglan lighthouse, 'drifting on the level of the sea.'

The death occurred in Calcutta on the 18th ult. of Mr. Arthur Samuel Lovelock, partner in the firm of Lovelock and Lewis, Chartered Accountants.

Politeness welcomes, so it seems, Our Barrie's quaint vagary, Now when we talk of ocean rhapsodies We call it 'mal de Mary.'

'I'm awfully changed,' remarked the 25 note, as it passed over the sporting-room counter. 'For the worse?' asked a discarded ticket. 'No, for the better.'

On the 18th ult., General Egerton telegraphed from Somaliland that the health of his troops was good. Captain Howard, R.E., however, was dangerously ill.

On 26th ult., the Officer Administering the Government at Singapore (Hon. W. T. Taylor) entertained Sir Henry Blake, and Sir John Keane, A.D.C., at dinner at Government House.

Miss Fanny Stanley, well known in Hongkong a few years ago, is running a comic opera company in Calcutta. The company numbers forty-five artistes, so a Calcutta correspondent says.

The death is announced of Mr. William Milburn, head of the ship-owning firm of Milburn & Co., London and Newcastle, whose vessels of the 'Port' line trade between England and Australia.

The *Singapore Free Press* says: 'Invitations are now being issued for the wedding of Miss Blanche May Murray, daughter of the Hon. the Colonial Engineer, Lt.-Colonel A. Murray, V.C., Commandant S.V.C., to Capt. Oswald C. Barrett, 1st Batt. Royal Lancaster Regt. The wedding will take place at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Saturday, Dec. 26, at 3.30 p.m., the reception being held afterwards at 'Chatsworth.'

The *Kokumin* says that 'were it not for the fact that Japan respects peace and has no desire to promote her interests alone at the expense of others, she might address herself once more to the pleasant task of relieving the world of its gross delusion of Russia is really any more formidable than China was. On the other hand, General Wogack is reported to have told Viceroy Yuan that Japan 'is a small and poor country which cannot do anything. She can be easily beaten in a single engagement.'

Alleged Bribery.

Chan Loi Sang, Sergeant Interpreter at the Central Police Station, appeared before Mr. T. Sorombe Smith at the Magistrate's court on a charge of accepting a bribe of \$5 from Ngai Tin, of 96 Bonham Strand. Defendant was arrested by Chief Detective Inspector Hanson just as he took the \$5 from Ngai Tin. In defence, Chan Loi Sang submitted that he did not take the money as a bribe, but that it was given him as a reward. A remand was made until to-morrow, bail in \$250 being allowed.

Drawing of Griffins.

Twenty-four griffins, which arrived from Shanghai by the *Chongyang*, were drawn as follows:—Mr. D. E. Brown, Mr. John Paterson, Mr. Bonner, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Harston, Mr. Mody, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Babington, Mr. Marshall, Messrs Mitchell and Nicolle, Mr. Bank, Mr. Lammer, Dr. Atkinson, Mr. Walker, Captain Risch, Mr. Dominich, Mr. Buck, Lieut. Smith, R.A., Mr. Apear, Mr. Dorabjee, Mr. Wibel.

[The griffins are said to be a very good lot so far as appearance goes.]

A Smart Capture.

While Detective Widen was on duty patrolling the harbour in a sampans on Dec. 8, he saw a number of men transferring coal from one junk to another. Being suspicious he approached them, but when they were aware of his presence they dived overboard and tried to escape. Detective Widen, however, captured six of them, and charged them with stealing the coal. It was subsequently found that the coal belonged to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, and the men were charged at the Magistrate's court to-day before Mr. T. Sorombe Smith. Four of the men were charged with larceny, while the remaining two were charged with receiving. The case was not concluded when we left the Court.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Death of British Officers.

A London telegram, dated 20th ult., reports:—The death is announced in Somaliland of Captain Harward Royal Engineers, of dysentery, and also of Lieutenant Luard, West Kents, of enteric fever.

The Army Cup at Lucknow.

The race for the Army Cup was run at Lucknow on the 28th ult., and finished in the following order:—

Active 1
Peninsular 2
Titus 3
Modesty 4

Won by half a length; a head divided second and third; and half a length the third and fourth.

The betting was 6 to 4 on Titus; 5 to 1 against Scatterdash; 6 to 1 against Peninsular; 8 to 1 against St. Gris; and 10 to 1 against Active, Huddal, and Modesty.

Yachting.

There will be a yacht race (ladies steering) on Saturday, 12th inst., for a cup presented by Colonel L. F. Brown, R.E., over the following course:—Start off Police Pier, at 3 p.m., round North Fairway Bay and Mark-bank to the north of Kellett Bank (both of starboard), finishing off the South Pier at Stonecutters. The following are the handicaps:—Dionce, Vernon, Aileen and Elsiegh give Allank (2 mins.), Erica, Bonito, Kathleen, Colleen and Min (3), Iris, Chanticleer and Gloria (4), Dorcen and Maid Marian (5), Payno (6), and Mist (8).

The Plague in India.

The plague mortality in India during week ending 14th November rose to 18,360 deaths against 17,006 in the preceding week and 39,441 in the corresponding period of last year. The detailed figures are Bombay City 55, Bombay Presidency 10,285 Kanchei 7, Madras Presidency 242, Calcutta 16, Bengal 469, the United Provinces 1,210, the Punjab 1,021, the Central Provinces 2,490, Mysore 622, Hyderabad 948, 962, Rajputana 16, Central India 948, and Kashmir 17. The North West Frontier Province and Baluchistan are free from plague.

Sir Henry Blake at Penang.

Says the *Straits Echo* of Nov. 30:—Amongst the passengers passing through Penang by the *Malta* on Saturday were Sir Henry and Lady Blake who are proceeding to Ceylon, where Sir Henry takes over the reins of government. One would naturally have supposed that a Colonial Governor would have been met by some official, but Sir Henry was met by the Harbour Master, Mr. MacIntyre, the Harbour Master, of all our numerous officials, was there to receive the distinguished passenger, and Sir Henry and Lady Blake saw what they wished to of Penang from a humble public kitchen. It may not have been the particular duty of any official to have received them, but however that may be we think the 'chilly reception' does Penang little credit.

Prohibition against Hongkong Wares.

Mr. F. J. Haver Droeze, Consul General for the Netherlands, forwards us the following for publication:—I have the honour to inform you that the Governor of Netherlands-India has decreed that all ships or vessels arriving from Hongkong, or having called at this port, are subject in Netherlands-India to a quarantine of ten days from the date of departure from this port or since the last case of plague on board. Importation is temporarily of animal refuse, claws and hoofs, animal or human hair and bristles, hides, which are untreated and which are salted or cured with arsenic, raw wool and rags, bags or sacks which have already been used, coming from Hongkong or transhipped at this port. To import from Hongkong into Netherlands-India (teapery and used embroidery, unless they are transported as personal baggage or in consequence of change of residence, is also temporarily prohibited.

Fire in Hollywood Road.

At about twenty minutes past eleven this morning a report was received at the Central Police Station that a fire had broken out in a house situated at 197 Hollywood Road. The brigade at once turned out with the hydrants, and were on the scene in very quick time. The building was found to be blazing fiercely, and the adjoining houses were lit by the flames and one of them was just alight. The firemen, assisted by the police, soon put these houses out of danger, by playing the hoses on them, and then devoted their attention to saving a portion of the burning building. The building, which is a three storied one, was well alight on the two upper floors, and from the outset it was seen that there was little chance of saving these floors. By degrees the firemen secured a mastery over the fire and before a quarter of one the fire was completely vanquished.

The extent of the damage is as yet unknown, as the two top floors were used as a dwelling house, and the amount of the value of the furniture, etc., has not been ascertained. The ground floor which was used as a medicine shop suffered severely from water, but the shop was prevented from reaching it. The contents are insured for about \$3000. There was a good flow of water at hand, so that no difficulty was experienced in keeping a good stream playing on the fire. The brigade was under the direction of Chief Inspector Baker and Capt. F. W. Lysons, and did excellent service. No lives were lost, and a considerable amount of the clothing, etc., was saved by being carried into the street.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Dust.

The dust of ages is often spoken of, but on the press table and jury box in the Summary Jurisdiction Court this morning the dust of several ages was accumulated. On several occasions, in fact, on almost every occasion on which the Court has sat in the Summary Court, it has been the same, and it seems as though it is likely to continue.

Army News.

The following military posting is ordered:—Captain Becher, 8th Lanciers, to Somaliland to the charge of the 54th Camel Corps. Major Henesse, 6th Dragoon Guards, is permitted to retire; and Lieutenants E. Fitzgibbon, R.A., and Holloway, 3rd Hussars, to resign their commissions.

'The Importance of Being Earnest.'

To-morrow night the Amateur Dramatic Company will make their second appearance this season in comedy in 'The Importance of Being Earnest.' All concerned have been engaged in close study and frequent rehearsal, and the result should be a production which will equal, if it does not eclipse, their efforts in 'Lord and Lady Algy.'

Death of a Bishop.

We are indebted to His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria for the information that he has received a telegram announcing the death, at Hankow, on Monday, the 7th inst., of Bishop Ingle, of the American Episcopal Church Mission. The deceased prelate was consecrated in the early part of last year, and was quite well and hearty at the conference of Anglican Bishops held in Shanghai in October last.

Trotting Record.

Some little time ago considerable interest was manifested in a trot against time by Low Dillon, the trotter owned by the Chicago Millionaire, Billings. The result was that the mile was cut out in two minutes—a grand performance. Quite recently Major Dolmar, owned by E. E. Smathers, New York, equalled the record, and now Crescens, another American horse, has further lowered the world's record by trotting a mile on the 19th of October at Wichita, Kansas, in 1 min. 59½ secs., that being a world's record.

Contract Labour in the Philippines.

At last the merchants in the Philippines have risen against the unjust Contract Labour Law enforced there recently by Collector Shuster. According to the Manila *Advertiser* a memorial and petition has been presented to Governor Taft by the merchants and others protesting against the amendment of the Contract Labor Law. The petition is addressed to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, through the medium of the United States Philippine Commission, and briefly prays that a certain class of skilled employees, competent to discharge the duties of accountants, stenographers, clerks, etc., be legally admitted into the Philippine Islands. The petition may be considered a natural result of the arbitrary ruling of Collector of Customs Shuster in the Allen case which has since been supported by the Supreme Court. The petition was presented to Governor Taft last Tuesday (Dec. 3) by a committee consisting of the following gentlemen:—

H. D. C. Jones, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation; T. E. Samson, of the Chartered Bank; Dr. Dittman, of Behn Meyer and Company; D. S. Alcedo, of Macleod and Company; and F. S. Jones, of Smith, Bell and Company.

Decorations for Transport Work.

The King received in the grounds of Buckingham Palace on 14th November, 143 officers of various ranks connected with the Transport Service, and conferred upon them the Special Transport medal, which was instituted by His Majesty in 1902 for officers of the mercantile marine, in recognition of the efficiency with which the transport of the troops by sea was carried out during the South African and China Wars. Amongst these present were:—Rear-Admiral Sir E. Chichester, Bart., C.B., C.M.G., Capt. J. B. Eustace, R.N., late Principal Transport Officer, North China, Mr. W. Keswick, M.P., and Sir Thomas Sutherland. Below are the names of the officers of the P. and O. Steam Navigation Company upon whom the medals were bestowed:—Commander C. F. Preston, R.N.R., captain; O. L. W. Field, Lieut. C. T. Denny, R.N.R., captain; Commander S. de H. Lookyer, R.N.R., captain; Lieut. C. D. Bennett, R.N.R., captain; Lieut. F. B. S. Notley, R.N.R., chief officer; Mr. E. E. Shong, chief officer (Sub-Lieut. A. B. Garwood, R.N.R., chief officer; Lieut. H. E. Kilcat, R.N.R., chief officer; Mr. R. Doust, chief engineer; Mr. A. Mackie, chief engineer; Mr. H. Oak, second officer; Mr. T. H. Acton, second officer; Sub-Lieut. C. Brooks, R.N.R., second officer; Sub-Lieut. R. M. M. Collyer, R.N.R., second officer; Lieut. T. W. Bennett, R.N.R., second officer; Engineer P. McLe, R.N.R., third engineer; Dr. W. Meade, Dr. H. A. Gunther, Dr. J. G. MacLennan, Mr. L. H. Insell, purser.

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GREEK STEAMERS COLLIDE.

FIFTY PERSONS SUCCUMB.

LONDON, December 9.

A serious collision has taken place between the two Greek steamers *Asios* and *Pylaros* at Athens.

The bows of the *Pylaros*, where were situated the second-class cabins, were crushed to such an extent that the cabins were completely smashed and soon flooded by the extensive inrush of water.

Of the second class passengers who were in the cabins fifty were either drowned or killed.

[According to Lloyd's Register the *Asios* is a steel screw steamer of 400 tons and was built in 1888 by J. Elder and Co. for the Ionian Navigation Company. She has a length of 235 feet, breadth of 25 feet, and depth of 13 feet. The *Pylaros* is an iron twin-screw steamer of 310 tons. She was built in 1864 by Baumgarten and Burnmaster and is owned by N. M. Athanassoulis. Her length is 181 feet, her breadth 20 feet and her depth 10 feet.—E.C. M.]

[DEUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE 'UNDESIRABLE ALIEN' QUESTION.

LONDON, December 8.

Mr. Aker Douglas, speaking at Shortditch, said it would be irregular to anticipate any announcement in the King's Speech to Parliament. All he would do was to give assurances that the question of undesirable aliens was receiving the very careful consideration of the Government which had every desire to find a speedy remedy.

FIRE ON BOARD H.M.S. 'HERMES.'

A fire has occurred on board of H.M.S. *Hermes* in Devonport Dockyard, which Admiral Henderson with a strong brigade extinguished. The shell-rooms were endangered and were flooded to prevent an explosion.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

According to a report in St. Petersburg, Count Lamsdorff was expected yesterday, to submit to the Tsar the Russian reply to Japan which is expected at Tokio any moment.

HIS NUMBER SIX!

[It is notified in the *Gazette* that in pursuance of His Majesty's pleasure the gold-braided blue evening waistcoat for officers of the Royal Navy has been abolished, and a plain blue evening waistcoat has been substituted for it. Naval officers are to wear: With No. 6 ('mess dress'), the white evening waistcoat already worn only with No. 2 ('hall dress') and with No. 9 ('white mess dress') when the kammand is not worn; with No. 7 ('mess undress'), the plain blue evening waistcoat, which is also to be worn with No. 10 ('white mess undress') when the kammand is not worn. Both white and blue evening waistcoats are in future to be made with a plain roll-collared; but officers may wear the present pattern white waistcoat and the blue waistcoat with the gold braid removed until new ones are required.—Daily Paper.]

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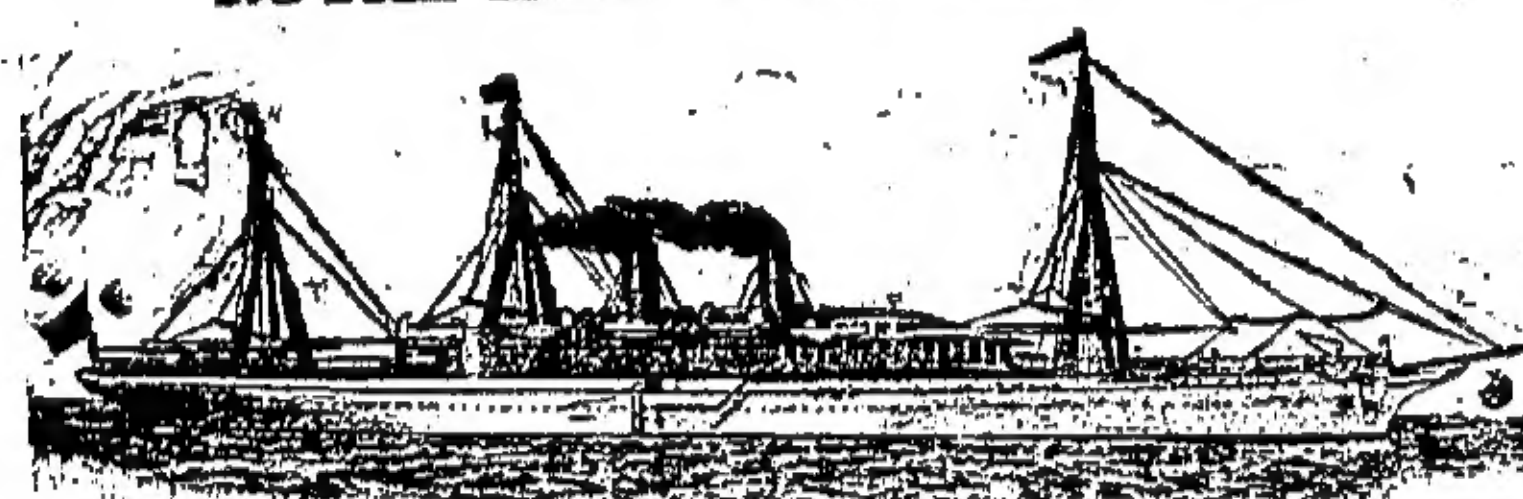
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